

I am writing you regarding the importance to expand the local community radio as well as restricting the percentage of private ownership in local media markets.

The last several years have shown how crucial it is for our democracy to curtail private ownership of our airways and to ensure the diversity of the information available to the citizens and residents of the United States. It is not by coincidence that our founding fathers gave outmost importance to the free press in the ongoing process of civic discourse. If a few media outlets control vast amounts of what and how information is channeled the very foundations of our democracy are in peril.

So, please, keep our democracy alive and functioning by safeguarding the diversity of our airways.

Respectfully,
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